

### Biography: Lieutenant Colonel John A. Becker

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## Commander U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot

Lieutenant Colonel John A. Becker is the Commander of the U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot. Prior to this command, he was the Chemical Officer for the United States Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He served as the principal Chemical Officer for the Special Operations, Plans and Policy Directorate in support of special operations forces.

Upon graduating from Western Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in Business in 1984, LTC Becker was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Chemical Corps. He earned his master's degree in Human Resource Management from National University in San Diego, California. In addition, some of his military training includes the Chemical Officer Basic and Advanced courses, Command and General Staff College, and the Joint Professional Military Education Phase II course.

LTC Becker has served in various assignments and locations including:

- Chemical Platoon Leader, 25<sup>th</sup> ID (Light), Schofield Barracks Hawaii
- Company Commander, 75<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Battalion, Fort Knox, Kentucky
- CBRN Officer, U.S. Navy Pacific Fleet, San Diego
- United Nations Military Observer, Iraq/Kuwait
- NBC Officer, U.S. Army Special Operations Command
- Brigade XO, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

#### **Quick Facts**

Name: LTC John A. Becker

**Position:** Commander, U.S. Army

Pueblo Chemical Depot

Education: B.S. in Business,

M.S. in Human Resource Management

Some of his awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Southwest Asia Campaign Medal, United Nations Medal, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist and Air Assault Badges and Canadian and Venezuelan Parachutist Badges.

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